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Regular Board Meeting/Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board Meeting
May 18, 2026

Minutes

1. Call to Order:

President Morton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on May 18, 2026 at 920 2nd Avenue, Marina, California; and, via Zoom teleconference.

2. Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

President Morton, Vice President Shriner, Director Moore, Director Imamura, and, Director Smith.

Board Members Absent:

None.

Staff Members Present:

Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager; Roger Masuda, District Counsel; Derek Cray, Operations and Maintenance Manager; Mary Lagasca, Director of Administrative Services; Jack Gao, Senior Project Manager; Patrick Breen, Water Resources Manager; Teo Espero, Information Technology Administrator; and, Katie Lampkin, Water Resources Analyst.

Members of the Public in Attendance:

Access Media Productions; Reinal Lagman; Charly Liscomb; Kurt Gonzalez; Helen Gonzalez; Kurt Gonzalez, Jr; Roxanne Gonzalez; Andreas Baer; Josef Polk; Travis Enzweiller; Sarah Beeson; Margaret Davis; and, Rebecca Nicholas.

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

Kurt Gonzalez led everyone present in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Public Hearing:

A. Receive the 2026 Marina Coast Water District's Recruitment and Vacancy Report for Fiscal Year 2025-2026:

Mary Lagasca, Director of Administrative Services, gave a presentation on the 2026 Marina Coast Water District's Recruitment and Vacancy Report for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

President Morton opened the Public Hearing at 6:09 p.m.

Agenda Item 4-A (continued):

No public comments were received. President Morton closed the Public Hearing at 6:10 p.m.

5. Presentation:

A. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-29 Congratulating and Recognizing Kurt Gonzalez, Maintenance Worker, on his Retirement after more than 16 Years of Service to MCWD:

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Vice President Shriner; to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-29 Congratulating and Recognizing Kurt Gonzalez, Maintenance Worker, on his Retirement after more than 16 Years of Service to MCWD. Motion passed.

Ayes:	Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton	Noes:	None
Absent:	None	Abstained:	None

6. Public Comment on Closed Session Items:

There were no comments.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 6:51 p.m. to discuss the following items.

7. Closed Session:

A. Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Application of California-American Water Company to Obtain Approval of the Amended and Restate Water Purchase Agreement for the Pure Water Monterey Groundwater Replenishment Project, Update Supply and Demand Estimates for the Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project, and Cost Recovery, before the California Public Utilities Commission, Application 21-11-024

B. Pursuant to Government Code 54956.8
Wheeling Agreement
Negotiating Parties: MCWD and Monterey One Water

C. Pursuant to Government Code 54957
Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: General Manager

The Board ended closed session at 7:56 p.m.

President Morton reconvened the meeting to open session at 7:58 p.m.

8. Reportable Actions Taken During Closed Session:

President Morton stated that there were no reportable actions taken on any of the items.

9. Oral Communications:

None.

10. Consent Calendar:

Director Imamura requested to pull Items 10-A, 10-D, and 10-F from the consent calendar.

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Director Smith ; to: 1) approve the Consent Calendar consisting of items: B) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Joint Board/GSA Meeting of April 20, 2026; C) Receive the First Quarter Investment Report for Calendar Year 2026; E) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-30 to Approve a Revised Job Description for Information Technology Administrator to Include Supervisory Responsibilities and Updated Job Description for the Engineering Technician (GIS) to Reflect a Change in Supervision; G) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-24 to Amend the Construction Contract with Monterey Peninsula Engineering for the Construction and Closeout of Lift Station Improvement – Safety Grates Project (CIP # GS-2532); and, H) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-31 to Amend the Construction Contract with Perma Green Hydroseeding, Inc. for Landscaping at the A1/A2 Reservoir Site (CIP # GW-0112). Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None
Absent: None Abstained: None

A. Receive and File the Check Register for the Month of April 2026:

Clarification was given on Agenda Item 10-A.

Motion by: Director Imamura Second by: President Morton ; to: 1) Receive and File the Check Register for the Month of April 2026. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None
Absent: None Abstained: None

D. Approve Amendment to the Agreement with Regional Government Services for Human Resources Support Services for Fiscal Year 2025-2026:

Clarification was given on Agenda Item 10-D.

Motion by: Director Imamura Second by: President Morton ; to: 1) Approve Amendment to the Agreement with Regional Government Services for Human Resources Support Services for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Agenda Item 10-D (continued)

Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None
Absent: None Abstained: None

F. Approve the Purchase of Water Meters and Registers:

Clarification was given on Agenda Item 10-F.

Motion by: Director Imamura Second by: President Morton ;
to: 1) Approve the Purchase of Water Meters and Registers. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None
Absent: None Abstained: None

11. Action Items:

A. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-32 to Adopt the Marina Coast Water District Operating and Capital Improvement Budget for FY 2026-2027 and Waive Section 6.08.070 of the District Code:

Ms. Lagasca presented the MCWD FY 2026-2027 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget.

Director Smith left the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Margaret Davis made comments.

Motion by: Vice President Shriner Second by: President Morton ;
to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-32 to Adopt the Marina Coast Water District Operating and Capital Improvement Budget for FY 2026-2027, as amended, by eliminating the Dental and Vision insurance for Board members and removing the increased funding for Board compensation, thus keeping the Board compensation at $50 per meeting; and Waive Section 6.08.070 of the District Code. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Shriner, Morton Noes: None
Absent: Smith Abstained: None

B. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-33 Ordering an Election, Requesting County Elections to Conduct the Election, and Requesting Consolidation of the Election Set for November 3, 2026:

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Director Imamura; to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-33 Ordering an Election, Requesting County Elections to Conduct the Election, and Requesting Consolidation of the Election Set for November 3, 2026. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Shriner, Morton Noes: None
Absent: Smith Abstained: None

11. Informational Items:

A. General Manager's Report:

General Manager provided a report.

B. Committee and Board Liaison Reports:

1. Budget and Engineering Committee:

Committee member provided a report.

2. Community Outreach Committee:

Committee members provided a report.

3. Special Districts Association:

Committee members provided a report.

16. Director's Comments:

Director Imamura, Director Moore, Vice President Shriner, and President Morton made comments.

17. Adjournment:

President Morton adjourned the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

APPROVED:

Phil Morton

President Morton

ATTEST:

Paula Riso

Paula Riso, Deputy Secretary